

Other Voices . . .

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Russia Reports on the CIA

"The CIA activity scandal that is raging in the United States these days goes to show what human rights are worth in the capitalist world. The giant spy and investigations complex that has been set up to control every activity of millions of persons represents the other side of the much touted bourgeois democracy."

—Tass,
the official Soviet News agency.

"Operation Chaos was allegedly put into gear to search for foreign influence in domestic dissident groups. The ambiguous wording 'foreign influence' fooled nobody. Clearly, foreign influence means what is called the world Communist conspiracy, or in one word, Moscow. . . ."

"I do not want to engage in any speculation as to how Americans feel about all this. . . . But I certainly want to say in no uncertain terms that I as a Soviet citizen cannot protest strongly enough against what I would call insidious attempts to morally justify the CIA by shifting the responsibility of its activities to the Soviet Union. On many an occasion the Soviet Union has been used as a scarecrow and a

scapegoat to manipulate popular opinion in the United States, and to channel anger from the real cause to a red herring. But this particular one takes the cake, not only the cake in fact but the entire baking."

—Radio Moscow.

"Dear listeners, there are spy services everywhere. Because there is such a thing as imperialism in the world, the socialist states have to protect themselves, even with secret services. . . . There have been socialist spies who circulated among the enemy at the highest levels and did what they were meant to do, that is, get a look at what was being planned and carried out against socialist countries."

"But murder? They do not so much as spit in these peoples' faces, although they would have loved to do so. A policy brings forth its own methods, and to the brutal, reactionary and aggressive policy of American imperialism—let us remember the hundreds of thousands of murders in Vietnam—to this policy belong the murders carried out by the CIA. Imperialism and murder have always gone hand in hand."

—East German radio.